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Nursing Receives Farmland Industries Support

For the second year in a row, Farmland Industries has awarded Avila financial support for the Nurse Re-Entry Program, a project designed to address the critical nurse shortage in the Kansas City community.

Representing Farmland, Carol Rothwell, Coordinator of Community Relations presented $5,000 to Sister Olive Louise; Pat Martin, Director of Grants; and Bev Lindsey, Department of Nursing Chair.

The Nurse Re-Entry Program identifies persons who have, at one time, been practicing nurses and wish to return to the profession but whose skills have fallen below an acceptable level.

With the cooperation of area hospitals and nursing homes, Avila provides a 12-week course to prepare the nurse to re-enter the profession.

This year's funding will assist in the development of outreach programs.

Also, nurses have requested development of a re-entry program for nurses currently employed as managers and have not given direct patient care for five years or more.

And in addition, there is a need to help nurses make the transition from field of interest to another.

Theatre Division Presents 'The Glass Menagerie'

The Theatre Division of the Performing and Visual Arts Department will present "The Glass Menagerie" February 12,13,19, and 20.

Directed by Joseph Daubenas, Avila Assistant Professor of Communication and Speech/Theatre, this famous Tennesse Williams classic drama features Diane Burrichter as Amanda, Cyndia Meyer as Laura, Phil Fiorini as Tom, and William Arndt III as the Gentleman Caller.

Tickets for "The Glass Menagerie" are $4 for adults, $3 for Senior Citizens and Students. Avila alumni receive a one-dollar discount on tickets for the play.

For reservations call the Goppert Theatre Box Office at 942-8408.

"Shadowbox"

The Actor's Laboratory Theatre will present Michael Cristofer's controversial play, "Shadowbox" at 8 p.m., February 16 and 17.

"Shadowbox" is a compelling drama of three individuals who, with their families, attempt to deal with their terminal illnesses and imminent deaths.

A stark inquiry into the death and dying experience, "Shadowbox" is recommended for mature audiences only.

Directed by Richard Pond, Avila Instructor in Dance, the cast includes Paul Burns, James Wright, Rob Brown, Laura Magruder, Oscar Long, Russ Blackwood, Annamaria Pileggi, Susan Murphy and Nancy Nail.

William Arndt is the Gentleman Caller waiting as Amanda (Diane Burrichter) prepares her daughter Laura (Cyndia Meyers) in "The Glass Menagerie."

Group Opportunities

Banquet dinners, buffet with many menu items to select, and wine and cheese fellowships are now a permanent adjunct to the Goppert Theatre experience for groups of 25 or more.

If groups would like more information about this culinary and fellowship experience, contact David Remer, Managing Director, 942-8408.

Masthead Photo: **Sister Olive Louise receives a Certificate of Merit from members of the Kansas City Alumni Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota, a music honors society.**

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Federation Promotes Student Exchange

The National Federation of Carondelet Colleges promotes the student exchange program among the five senior colleges sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet: College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, MN; College of St. Rose, Albany, NY; Fontbonne College, St. Louis; Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles; and Avila College.

After completion of their freshman year at any one of the senior Federation colleges students may spend up to two semesters as visiting students at another Federation college.

Students seeking further information may contact the Admissions Office.

Mary Lou George

Edna Bear

Elaine Strope

PSC To Celebrate Tenth Anniversary

The President's Scholarship Club (PSC) will be celebrating it's tenth year of contributing to Avila this Spring.

Of the 120 charter members, 105 continue to support the program. These charter members will be honored at the annual PSC Appreciation Night this April.

Avila Names

Mary Lou George is the new president of the Alumni Association for 1981-1983. She is a graduate of the Department of Nursing and is clinical director at St. Joseph Hospital.

Mrs. Edna Bear has been elected President of the Scholarship Sponsors organization.

Dr. Elaine R. Strope, Avila alumna, has been appointed to the position of senior analytical chemist at Personal Products Company, Milltown, NJ.

Who's Who Selects Six Avila Students

The 1982 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will carry the names of six students from Avila College, who have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders.

The campus nominating committee and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from Avila are: Theresa Doyle, Susan West Frenzen, Margaret A. Kuhn, Kelley A. McQuillan, Christine M. Ojile, and Lisa Werth.

AVILA ALUMNI EVENTS

February 1 thru 26
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February 12
"The Glass Menagerie"
Goppert Theatre, 8 p.m.
Alumni First Nighter

March 3
Alumni Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

March 8
Alumni Telethon begins

March 16
"Butterflies Are Free"
(for mature audiences only)
Goppert Theatre, 8 p.m.
Alumni First Nighter